

ENDANGERED SPECIES OBSERVER PROGRAM

Project: Saint Simon's Channel, Brunswick, GA

INCIDENT REPORT OF SEA TURTLE TAKE BY DREDGING ACTIVITY

Date 01 / 03 / 00

Time(24hr) 1000

Species of Turtle Taken Lig. head (Caretta caretta)

Dredging Site (channel, port, etc.) Saint Simon's Channel, Brunswick, Georgia

Location of Take: Latitude N 31° 53.19 Longitude W 81° 18.52.59

Vessel Name and Company Edward L. Hanson

Type of Dredging Activity maintenance

Load # 152 Times: Start 0743 End 0930 Dump 1006

Sampling Method (overflow, inflow, etc.) inflow, overflow

Samples Recovered From port inflow, fore

Condition of Screening good

Draghead Deflector? Yes ☒ No ☐

Condition of Deflector good

Weather Conditions Winds NE 10-15, seas calm, birds busy Tide 5.9 ebbing

Water Temperature: Surface 84°F Column C or F (circle one)

Condition of Specimen(s) Sampled Rear flippers (connected) dredged up and found in port inflow. Cuticle intact on flippers. Bones connected appeared sandblasted. Muscle tissue is pink - no dripping blood. Specimen was frozen.

Measurements--

Give estimate of entire carapace dimensions, as well as fragments sampled (in metric when possible, indicate if not):

Head Width N/A

Plastron Length N/A Width N/A

Carapace S. L. Length N/A S.L. Width N/A

Carapace O.C. Length N/A O.C. Width N/A

Turtle Tagged? Yes ☐ No ☒ Tag # Tag Date 1 / 1

Comments

We estimate that the death of this individual occurred within the last 24 hours or so. There have been up to 13 shrimp trawlers working in and around the channel in the last few days. We cannot definitively attribute the death of this turtle to dredging activity, albeit probable.

Observer's Name Mocklin, M. Percy

Caretta caretta (loggerhead)

Shade areas of turtle which are missing. Sketch cracks and lacerations.

Comments:

Date 01-03-99

Species Loggerhead

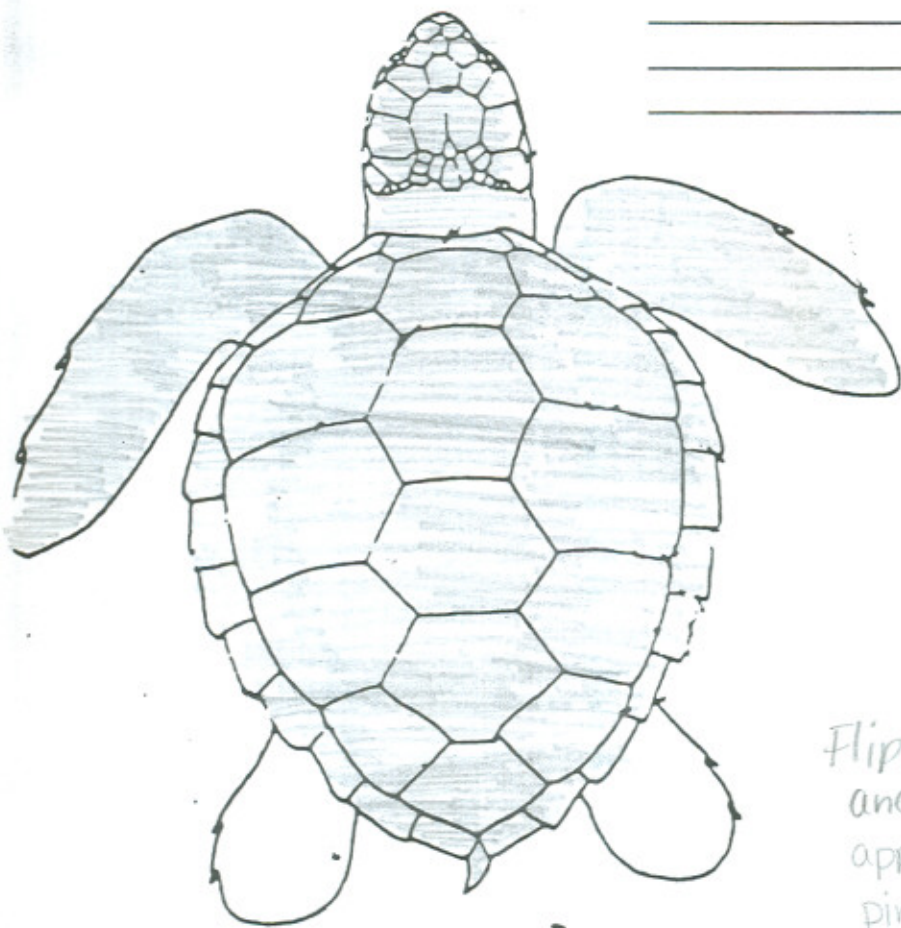
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Load # 152

Vessel name: Newport

Company: Manson

H₂O temp: 54° F



Flippers connected by tissue
and a few bones only. Bones
appear sandblasted. Muscle
pink - no dripping blood.

